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FORGING THE FUTURE ONE HERO AT A TIME

A YEARLONG
STORYTELLING
INITIATIVE



NEW EPIC
SERIES

NEW
CREATIVE
TEAMS

NEW
BATTLES
TO FIGHT

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WELL, @#!\$.













Six Hours Later.

KLANKLANKLANKL

SKRUNCH!

WE'RE IN POSITION.

VOODOO SAYS THE PACKAGE SHOULD BE EASY TO SPOT.

CLEAR THE BUILDING, SECURE THE PACKAGE, AND GET THE @#!\$ OUT.

AND TRY NOT TO GET KILLED AGAIN, DEATHBLOW.

GO @!#\$ YOURSELF, LADYTRON!







WE GOT A PROBLEM HERE, MAXINE. HOW MUCH FURTHER UNTIL THE VOID CAN PULL US OUT?

ABOUT TWO MILES.

WE'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE IT TWO YARDS!

WHAT THE @!#\$ DO YOU WANT ME TO DO, MIKE? I'M JUST A SMOKING HOT CHICK WITH A RADIO IN HER BRAIN. YOU'RE THE DUDE WITH GUNS.



GET US BACKUP!

BLAM!



WHAT BACKUP?!

YOU THINK I CAN JUST PULL PEOPLE LIKE YOU OUTTA MY *\$% EVERY TIME SOMEONE'S HAVING A CRAPPY DAY?

WHERE THE HELL ARE THOSE SEVEN SOLDIERS IDIOTS?

I THINK THEY'RE AT A PHOTO OP FOR THE GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW HALO STORE IN DUBAI.

SOUNDS SO AWFUL. GLAD WE'RE NOT IN THEIR SHOES, RIGHT?



BUT DON'T WORRY YOUR PRETTY LITTLE





I HATE A GUY WHO DOESN'T TALK @#!\$ IN A FIGHT.

THEY THINK IT'S CREEPY BUT IT'S JUST BORING.



VOID'S GOING TO JUMP YOU IN A SECOND, OKAY?

YOU FIRED ME, REMEMBER?

WE PUT YOU ON TIME-OUT.



WAIT, I'M NOT WEARING MY EARPIECE.

HOW ARE YOU EVEN TALKING TO ME RIGHT NOW?!

PUNT!

THROUGH THE NANITES WE PUT IN YOU.

THE EARPIECE WAS REALLY JUST FOR SHOW.



WHATEVER. I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE.

47 Minutes Later.

PING!
PEOW!
PING!
PEOW!

THEY FOUND US, MAX. CAN YOU FIND ANOTHER WAY OUT OF THIS BUILDING?

DON'T GET YOUR PANTIES IN A BUNCH. HE'S ALMOST THERE.

THE SHOOTING STOPPED.

SOMETHING'S COMING.

GET READY.

YOU ALL KNOW THERE'S A BUNCH OF TANKS OUT THERE?

WHERE THE HELL ARE WE?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, COLE?

LIP.

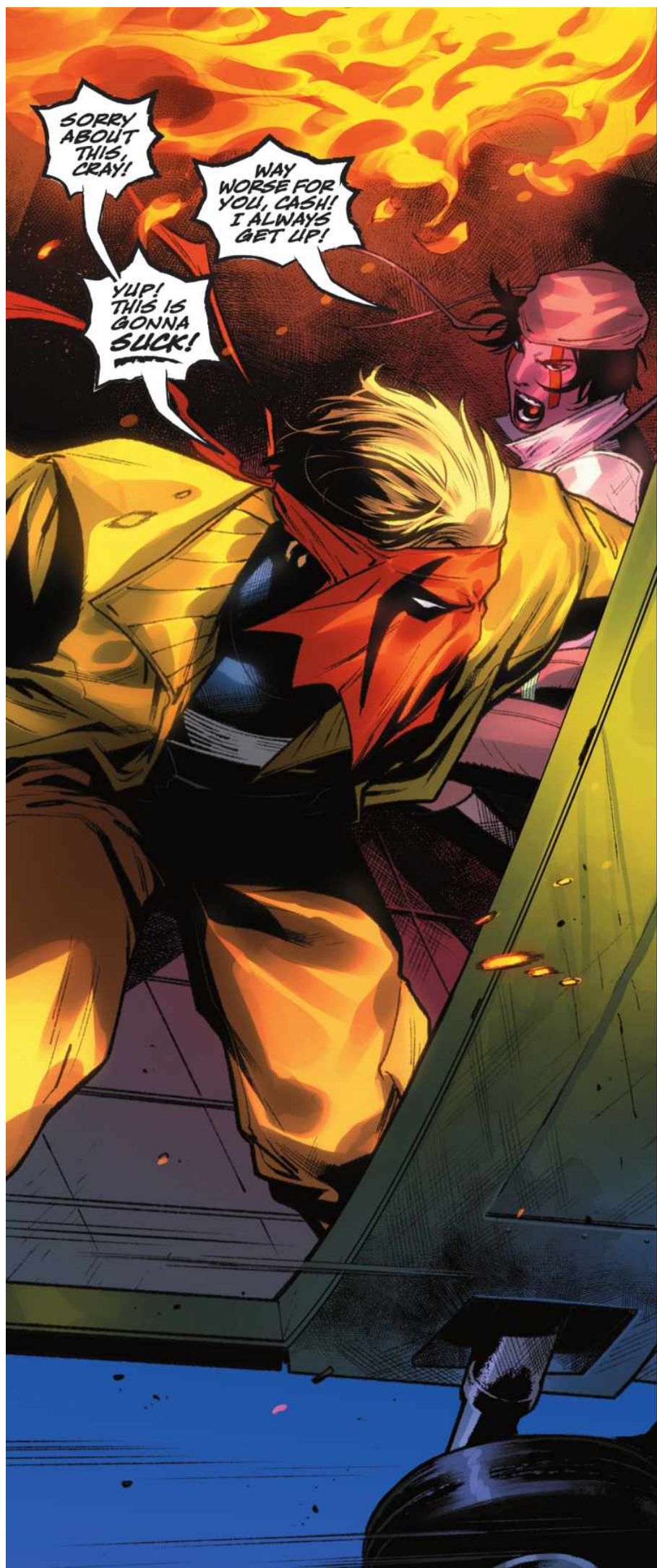












SORRY ABOUT THIS, CRAY!

WAY WORSE FOR YOU, CASH! I ALWAYS GET UP!

YUP! THIS IS GONNA SUCK!



EVERYONE READY?! GO! GO! GO!



WANT TO KNOW THE *FUN* THING ABOUT JUMPING OUT OF A HELICOPTER?

THERE ISN'T ONE. IT *SUCKS*.



BUDDA!
BUDDA!
BUDDA!
BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!

END OF THE LINE, MAX!
IF VOID CAN DO ANYTHING, SHE'S GOTTA DO IT NOW!

YOU'RE TOO FAR APART AND MOVING TOO FAST. SLOW DOWN.

WE'RE @#!\$**& FALLING!

THAT WORKED. GOING FOR NUMBER TWO.

YOU WERE ALWAYS REALLY NICE TO ME, COLE!
AND I GUESS IT DOESN'T MATTER NOW, BUT I HATED IT WHEN YOU CALLED ME MATH.

BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!

NICE JOB.
LAST ONE,
MAX.

MAX?

...MAXINE?
DO YOU
COPY?

BUDA
BUDA!

BLAM!
BLAM!

WHOOP!

BUILDING TOMORROW'S HEROES TODAY

I KNEW I
SHOULD HAVE
TAKEN THAT
PARACHUTE.

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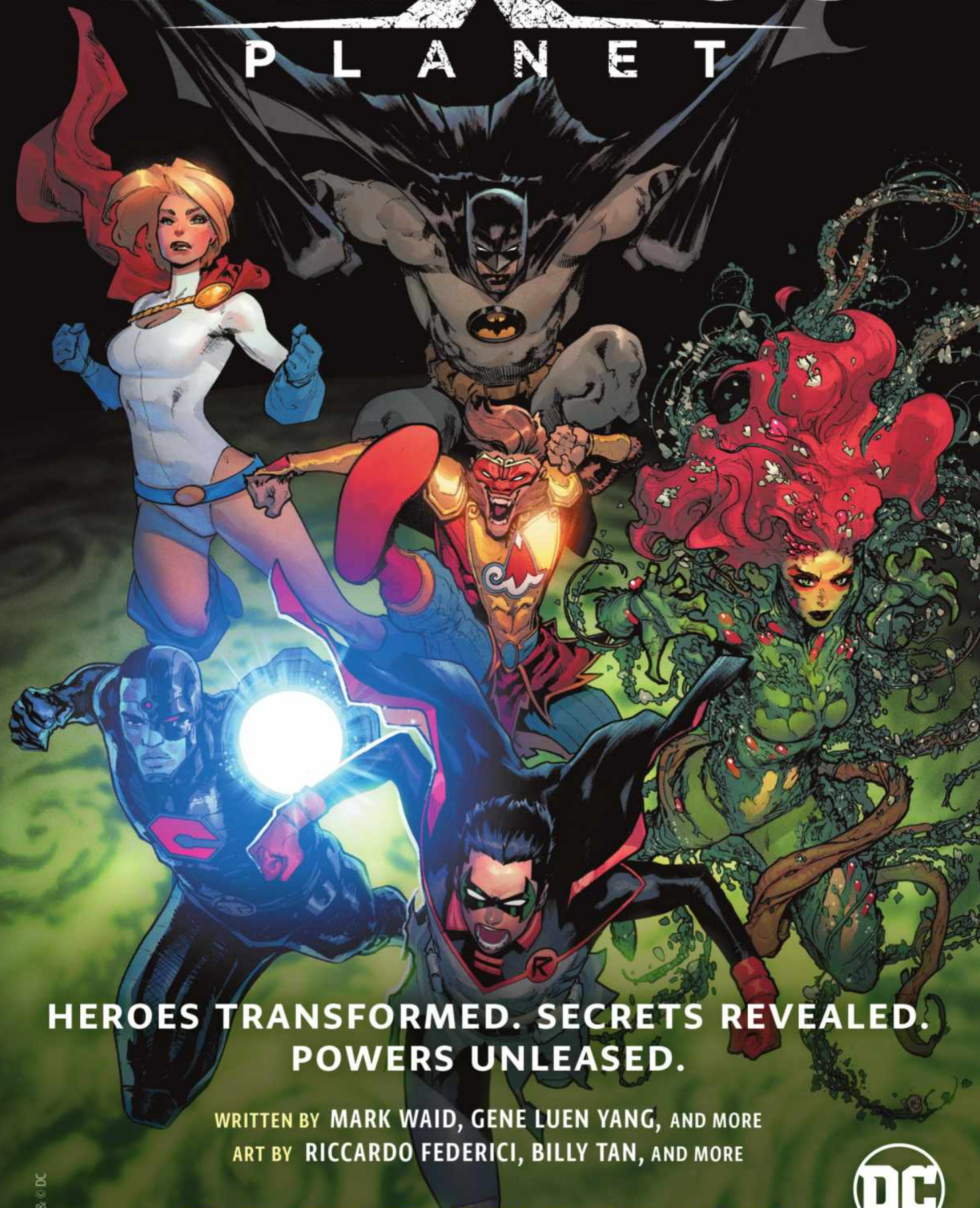
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DC NATION SPECIAL EDITION

DC UNIVERSE
LAZARUS
PLANET



**HEROES TRANSFORMED. SECRETS REVEALED.
POWERS UNLEASHED.**

WRITTEN BY MARK WAID, GENE LUEN YANG, AND MORE
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**"NEW HEROES WILL BE BORN
AND EXISTING HEROES' POWERS
WILL BE CHANGED FOREVER."**

In the climax of December's *Batman vs. Robin* #4, a Lazarus Volcano erupts, spewing dangerous and transformative chemicals into Earth's atmosphere.

"That much magic can't be contained—so when it erupts it spews out Lazarus Resin and creates a violent 'rainstorm' that covers the world," explains Mark Waid, the superstar writer and architect of the DC Universe: Lazarus Planet event.

Waid has been no stranger to the DC Universe this past year, penning the bestselling series *Batman/Superman: World's Finest* and *Batman vs. Robin*, which set the stage for this event, beginning in January's *Lazarus Planet: Alpha* #1.

"In *Batman/Superman: World's Finest*, we introduced the Devil Nezha, an ancient evil that could be contained only within the tomb on a remote island," Waid says. "Once our heroes sealed him inside, we sprung the surprise reveal—the tomb is on Lazarus Island. Then in *Batman vs. Robin*, we learn that Mother Soul, Damian's great-grandmother on his al Ghul side, has been searching for Nezha and used Damian to unleash him once more."



**"NEZHA IS A
TRICKSTER GOD WHO
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THAT LINE BETWEEN
GOOD AND EVIL."**

Helping craft the two-month Lazarus Planet event alongside Waid will be *Monkey Prince* writer Gene Luen Yang. "Traditionally, Nezha is a trickster god who often dances on that line between good and evil," Yang says. "In *Batman/Superman: World's Finest*, Mark brought him into the DC Universe and specifically tied him into elements of the Batman mythos."

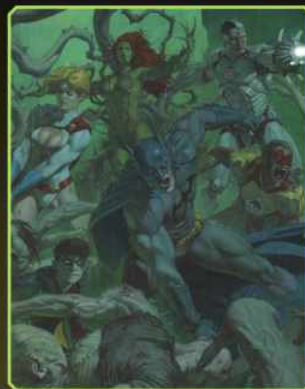


The Lazarus Volcano will make its rumblings known throughout the DC Universe in a series of one-shots helmed by all-star talent, including Francis Manapul, Phillip Kennedy Johnson, Leah Williams, Max Dunbar, Clayton Henry, Tim Seeley, and Marguerite Sauvage. Fan-favorite heroes throughout the DC Universe will be heavily invested in uncovering the secrets behind the Lazarus Resin.

"Power Girl is part of the team that tries to free Earth's magical artifacts from the Tower of Fate, where Nezha has imprisoned them," Waid explains. "Poison Ivy, on the other hand, is part of the team exploring one of Ra's al Ghul's mountain headquarters looking for clues to counteract the resin. Ra's was aware of her background as a brilliant biochemist who, like him, is eager to reestablish a working ecosystem before our planet succumbs to global war."



**"THE WRITERS AND ARTISTS ARE
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"The writers and artists are embracing that freedom to do some of the best work I've seen in a long time," Waid continues. "Everyone's been incredibly cooperative and willing to toss ideas back and forth to make their own stories even better."

The full scope of the story starts out in *Lazarus Planet: Alpha* and continues in the one-shot tie-ins *Lazarus Planet: Assault on Krypton*, *Lazarus Planet: We Were Once Gods*, *Lazarus Planet: Dark Fate*, *Lazarus Planet: Next Evolution*, and *Lazarus Planet: Legends Reborn*—all leading to the fateful finale in *Lazarus Planet: Omega* and the aftermath in *Lazarus Planet: Revenge of the Gods*.



After the events of Lazarus Planet, the gods of the Multiverse decide to take down the heroes they once called champions and the world they've sworn to protect.

The team of gods is led by Earth-0's wizard Shazam, who has been granted a vision from the Lazarus Resin the likes of which he has never seen before.

As if major changes to existing heroes and the introduction of all-new ones weren't enough, Lazarus Planet has a ton of surprises in store for even the most hardcore DC fan. "There's a fusion of Cyborg and Blue Beetle, a key role for Blue Devil, the mightiest bolt of Shazam lightning in history, Swamp Thing vs. Nezha, and a really, really, really ugly turn for Batman," Waid teases.

"Mark's premise for Lazarus Planet is so fun, the rest of us can't help but respond with all the creativity we can muster," Yang says. "Even as a fan, I can't wait to read what everyone's come up with."





LAZARUS RAINS DOWN!



LAZARUS PLANET: ASSAULT ON KRYPTON

Written by: Nicole Maines, C.S. Pacat, Frank Barbiere, and Leah Williams

Art by: Skylar Patridge, Scott Godlewski, Sami Basri, and Marguerite Sauvage

With the world in chaos and Lazarus raining from the skies, the Earth's protectors from Krypton are hit hard, and the heroes will never be the same again.



LAZARUS PLANET: NEXT EVOLUTION

Written by: Ram V, Brandon T. Snider, Chuck Brown, and Delilah S. Dawson

Art by: Lalit Kumar Sharma, Laura Braga, Alitha Martinez and Mark Morales, and Ro Stein and Ted Brandt

Amazing new powers have been gifted to the freedom fighters of the future. What perils will these villain-vanquishing virtuosos face alongside a brand-new legend, The Vigil?



LAZARUS PLANET: WE WERE ONCE GODS

Written by: Francis Manapul, Dan Watters, Phillip Kennedy Johnson, and Josie Campbell

Art by: Francis Manapul, Max Dunbar, Jack Herbert, and Caitlin Yarsky

The gods are in for some big changes as Lazarus rain beats down upon the Earth. Explore the Lazarus Planet's effect on DC Universe's extraordinary creatures and locations involving the Shazam Family and the Rock of Eternity.



LAZARUS PLANET: DARK FATE

Written by: Tim Seeley, Dennis Culver, A.L. Kaplan, and Alyssa Wong

Art by: Baldemar Rivas, Chris Burnham, A.L. Kaplan, and Haining

Who are the new villains created by the Lazarus rain and what heroes can stop them? A sinister threat will bring a new chapter to the Doom Patrol while a new danger lurks in the dark corners of the Spirit World for new character Xanthe?



LAZARUS PLANET: LEGENDS REBORN

Written by: Alex Segura, Greg Pak, Alex Paknadel, and Dennis Culver

Art by: Clayton Henry, Minkyu Jung, Christopher Mitten, and Jesús Merino

Heroes and villains long forgotten return! Nightwing and the new hero City Boy go on a quest to save Gotham from a surge of fantastical power that will affect the DC Universe forevermore!

LAZARUS PLANET: REVENGE OF THE GODS

(COVER COMING SOON)

Written by: G. Willow Wilson

Art by: Cian Tormey & Caitlin Yarsky

The wizard Shazam has teamed up with the Quintessence to regain control of their champions. Shazam and Wonder Woman must work together and defeat the gods as they risk losing their powers for good.

DC NATION SPOTLIGHT ON

DC UNIVERSE LAZARUS PLANET CHECKLIST

JANUARY

- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Alpha* #1
- ☐ *Monkey Prince* #10
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Assault on Krypton* #1
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: We Once Were Gods* #1
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Legends Reborn* #1

FEBRUARY

- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Next Evolution* #1
- ☐ *Monkey Prince* #11
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Dark Fate* #1
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Omega* #1
- ☐ *Batman vs. Robin* #5

MARCH

- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Revenge of the Gods* #1
- ☐ *Wonder Woman* #797
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Revenge of the Gods* #2

APRIL

- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Revenge of the Gods* #3
- ☐ *Wonder Woman* #798
- ☐ *Lazarus Planet: Revenge of the Gods* #4

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